



CFMS-Royal Bank

Medical Student Leadership Awards

The CFMS and Royal Bank want to recognize some of the passionate, dedicated and caring medical student leaders across Canada who have made innovative contributions to their schools and communities.

In recognition of their achievements, one student from each of the 14 member schools of the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) will receive a Medical Student Leadership Award consisting of a certificate of recognition and a cash prize of \$2 500.

Application (4 parts):

1. Personal Statement (500 word maximum)

Please include your word count in the footer of your personal statement.

Your personal statement should focus on the following aspects of your leadership accomplishments:

- Describe your contributions to medical student life and/or the broader community.
- Outline the ways in which you support others to engage with their communities and achieve their goals (personal, professional, wellness, etc).
- Identify two qualities that you believe are essential to medical student leadership and describe how you have worked to foster them within yourself and others through your leadership activities.

Applicants are encouraged to highlight new or innovative aspects of their achievements and the unique contributions they have made to medical student and community life.

2. Two Reference Letters (max 500 words each)

Please provide two reference letters from individuals who are familiar with your leadership accomplishments. One letter must be from a *current medical student at your school*, the second can be from anyone of your choosing such as a resident, faculty member, community leader, physician mentor, employer etc.

Please include the *contact information*, including phone number and email address, of both referees. Referees may be contacted by the CFMS to verify activities and leadership contributions of the applicant.

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3. Resume (1-2 pages only)

Please outline your activities from one year prior to starting medical school up until now which you feel are relevant for the selection committee to consider.

3. Letter of Good Standing from your Faculty of Medicine

This can be requested from your Registrar's office and scanned to be included in your application.

Eligibility:

Any medical student attending a CFMS member school. Students who currently hold or have previously held a position on the CFMS Executive Committee or as a CFMS Officer during their medical studies are **not** eligible to apply.

Awards Selection:

The Selection Committee consists of CFMS Alumni who were active medical student leaders and are now residents and staff physicians. Applications are reviewed using a multi-step scoring process in an effort to provide fair and reasonable consideration of all applicants. Every effort is made to ensure that reviewers have had minimal knowledge and interactions with the applicants they review. Therefore, the content and clarity of each application is crucial to deciding the final winners.

The CFMS considers professionalism to be an extremely important value for all medical students to uphold. As a result, any applicant who is considered to have falsified information on their application will be reviewed and may be disqualified from award consideration.

Deadline:

February 6th, 2013 at 11:59pm EST. Late submissions will not be accepted.

To Submit:

Please format all documents in a single Word or PDF file and email to: vpsservices@cfms.org and include the words "CFMS---RBC Scholarship" in the subject line of the email.

Award winners will be announced at the CFMS Spring General Meeting, April 2013 in Quebec City, Quebec and a short bio outlining their accomplishments will be posted at www.cfms.org. For winners who are not in attendance, the CFMS Representative from your school will accept the award on your behalf.

Winners will be notified by email shortly following the announcement at SGM and cash awards will be distributed by mail following announcement of the winners.

For more information please contact vpsservices@cfms.org